

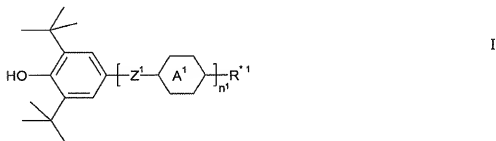
The listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

**Listing of Claims:**

1. (Previously Presented) A compound according to claim 3, which is capable of inducing a cholesteric phase in a nematic liquid crystal and simultaneously acting as a stabiliser.

2. (Previously Presented) A compound according to claim 3, which is capable of acting as a free-radical scavenger.

3. (Previously Presented) A compound of formula I



in which

$R^{*1}$  is a chiral radical,

$Z^1$  is, if present more than once, in each case, independently of one another,  $-CH_2-CH_2-$ ,  $-CH=CH-$ ,  $-C\equiv C-$ ,  $-COO-$ ,  $-OCO-$ ,  $-CH_2O-$ ,  $-OCH_2-$ ,  $-CF_2O-$ ,  $-OCF_2-$ ,  $-(CH_2)_4-$ ,  $-CF=CF-$ ,  $-CH=CF-$ ,  $-CF=CH-$ ,  $-CH_2-$ ,  $-CF_2-$ ,  $-CHF-$ ,  $-O-$ ,  $-S-$  or a single bond,



is, if present more than once, in each case, independently of one another,

- (a) a trans-1,4-cyclohexylene radical, in which one or more non-adjacent  $CH_2$  groups are optionally replaced by  $-O-$  and/or  $-S-$ ,
- (b) a 1,4-cyclohexenylene radical,
- (c) a 1,4-phenylene radical, in which one or two  $CH$  groups are optionally replaced by  $N$ , or
- (d) 1,4-bicyclo[2.2.2]octylene, piperidine-1,4-diyl, naphthalene-2,6-diyl, decahydronaphthalene-2,6-diyl, or 1,2,3,4-tetrahydronaphthalene-2,6-diyl,

where these radicals (a) to (d) and the phenolic benzene ring is optionally mono- or

polysubstituted by F atoms, and

$n^1$  is 1, 2 or 3,

wherein

A)

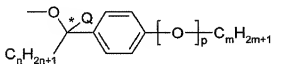
$R^{*1}$  is a chiral radical of the following formula



in which

K is a single bond, alkylene having 1 to 9 C atoms, alkenylene or alkynylene having 2 to 9 C atoms, wherein one, two or more of the  $-CH_2-$  groups present in the alkylene, alkenylene or alkynylene are optionally replaced by  $-O-$ ,  $-C=O-$  or  $-S-$ , but where no two O atoms are bonded directly to one another, and the alkylene, alkenylene or alkynylene are optionally substituted by halogen, or

$R^{*1}$  is

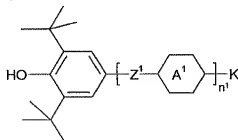


Q is H or halogen,

n and m are different from one another and, independently of one another, are 1 to 11,

p is 0 or 1, and

L, M and N, each, independently of one another, but differently from one another and from



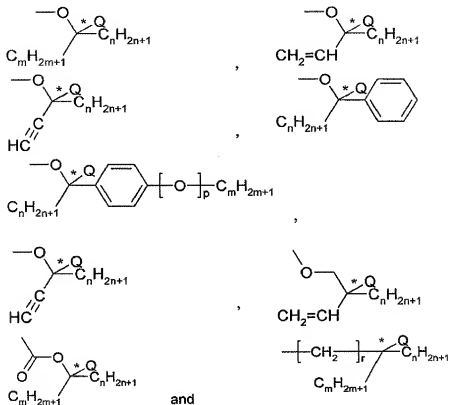
are hydrogen, halogen, aryl or cycloalkyl, alkyl or alkoxy having 1 to 11 C atoms, alkenyl, alkenyloxy, alkynyl or alkynyloxy having 2 to 11 C atoms, where one, two or more of the  $-CH_2-$  groups present in the alkyl, alkoxy, alkenyl, alkenyloxy, alkynyl or alkynyloxy are optionally replaced by  $-O-$ ,  $-C=O-$  or  $-S-$ , but where no two O atoms are bonded directly to one another

and the alkyl, alkoxy, alkenyl, alkenyloxy, alkynyl or alkynyloxy are optionally substituted by halogen;

or

B)

$R^{*1}$  is a chiral radical of one of the following formulae



in which

$Q$

$n$  and  $m$

$p$

$r$

is H or halogen,

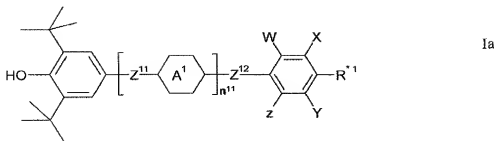
are different from one another and, independently of one another, are 1 to 11,

is 0 or 1, and

is 0 to 4.

4. (Currently Amended)

A compound of formula Ia



in which



is, if present more than once, in each case, independently of one another,

- (a) a trans-1,4-cyclohexylene radical, in which one or more non-adjacent CH<sub>2</sub> groups are optionally replaced by -O- and/or -S-,
- (b) a 1,4-cyclohexenylene radical,
- (c) a 1,4-phenylene radical, in which one or two CH groups are optionally replaced by N, or
- (d) 1,4-bicyclo[2.2.2]octylene,  
piperidine-1,4-diyl, naphthalene-2,6-diyl,  
decahydronaphthalene-2,6-diyl, or  
1,2,3,4-tetrahydronaphthalene-2,6-diyl,

where these radicals (a) to (d) and the phenolic benzene ring is optionally mono- or polysubstituted by F atoms,

R<sup>\*1</sup>

Z<sup>11</sup> and Z<sup>12</sup>

is a chiral radical,

are, each independently, and in case if Z<sup>11</sup> present more than once, in each case, independently of one another, -CH<sub>2</sub>-CH<sub>2</sub>-, -CH=CH-, -C≡C-, -COO-, -OCO-, -CH<sub>2</sub>O-, -OCH<sub>2</sub>-, -CF<sub>2</sub>O-, -OCF<sub>2</sub>-, -(CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>4</sub>-, -CF=CF-, -CH=CF-, -CF=CH-, -CH<sub>2</sub>-, -CF<sub>2</sub>-, -CHF-, -O-, -S- or a single bond,

n<sup>11</sup>

is 0, 1 or 2,

W and Z

are each, independently of one another, H, F, Cl, or alkoxy, and

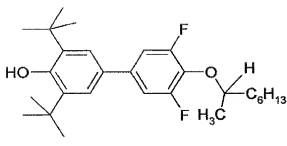
X and Y

are each, independently of one another, H, F, Cl, alkyl or alkoxy,

wherein

A)

the compound of formula Ia is



or

B)

 $R^{*1}$ 

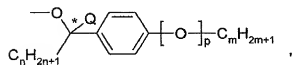
is a chiral radical of the following formula



in which

K

is a single bond, alkylene having 1 to 9 C atoms, alkenylene or alkynylene having 2 to 9 C atoms, wherein one, two or more of the  $-\text{CH}_2-$  groups present in the alkylene, alkenylene or alkynylene are optionally replaced by  $-\text{O}-$ ,  $-\text{C}=\text{O}-$  or  $-\text{S}-$ , but where no two O atoms are bonded directly to one another, and the alkylene, alkenylene or alkynylene are optionally substituted by halogen, or

 $R^{*1}$ 

Q

is H or halogen,

n and m

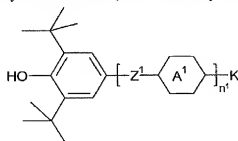
are different from one another and, independently of one another, are 1 to 11,

p

is 0 or 1, and

L, M and N,

each, independently of one another, but differently from one another and from



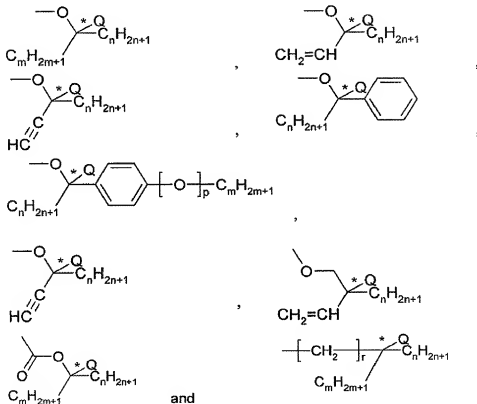
are hydrogen, halogen, aryl or cycloalkyl, alkyl or alkoxy having 1 to 11 C

atoms, alkenyl, alkenyloxy, alkynyl or alkynyloxy having 2 to 11 C atoms, where one, two or more of the -CH<sub>2</sub>- groups present in the alkyl, alkoxy, alkenyl, alkenyloxy, alkynyl or alkynyloxy are optionally replaced by -O-, -C=O- or -S-, but where no two O atoms are bonded directly to one another and the alkyl, alkoxy, alkenyl, alkenyloxy, alkynyl or alkynyloxy are optionally substituted by halogen;

or

C)

R<sup>\*1</sup> is a chiral radical of one of the following formulae



in which

Q

n and m

p

r

is H or halogen,

are different from one another and, independently of one another, are 1 to 11,

is 0 or 1, and

is 0 to 4.

5. (Previously Presented) A compound according to claim 3, wherein R<sup>\*1</sup> is a chiral radical of the following formula

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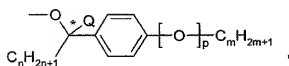
in which

K

is a single bond, alkylene having 1 to 9 C atoms, alkenylene or alkynylene having 2 to 9 C atoms, wherein one, two or more of the  $-\text{CH}_2-$  groups present in the alkylene, alkenylene or alkynylene are optionally replaced by  $-\text{O}-$ ,  $-\text{C}=\text{O}-$  or  $-\text{S}-$ , but where no two O atoms are bonded directly to one another, and the alkylene, alkenylene or alkynylene are optionally substituted by halogen, or

$\text{R}^{*1}$

is



Q

is H or halogen,

n and m

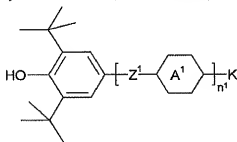
are different from one another and, independently of one another, are 1 to 11,

p

is 0 or 1, and

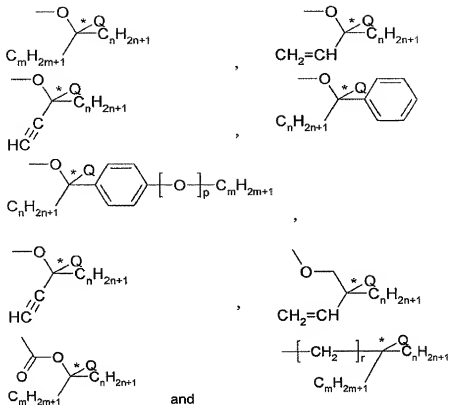
L, M and N,

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are hydrogen, halogen, aryl or cycloalkyl, alkyl or alkoxy having 1 to 11 C atoms, alkenyl, alkenyloxy, alkynyl or alkynyloxy having 2 to 11 C atoms, where one, two or more of the  $-\text{CH}_2-$  groups present in the alkyl, alkoxy, alkenyl, alkenyloxy, alkynyl or alkynyloxy are optionally replaced by  $-\text{O}-$ ,  $-\text{C}=\text{O}-$  or  $-\text{S}-$ , but where no two O atoms are bonded directly to one another and the alkyl, alkoxy, alkenyl, alkenyloxy, alkynyl or alkynyloxy are optionally substituted by halogen.

6. (Previously Presented) A compound according to claim 3, wherein  $\text{R}^{*1}$  is a chiral radical of one of the following formulae



in which

Q

is H or halogen,

n and m

are different from one another and, independently of one another, are 1 to 11,

p

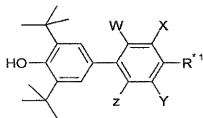
is 0 or 1, and

r

is 0 to 4.

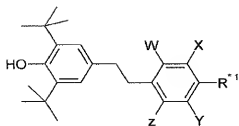
7. (Previously Presented)

A compound of formula Ia-2, Ia-3, Ia-4, Ia-5, Ia-6, Ia-7, Ia-8, or Ia-9

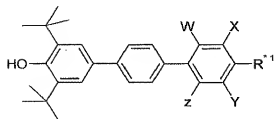


Ia-2

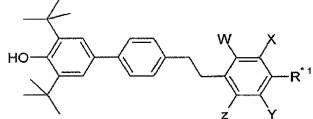




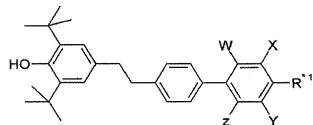
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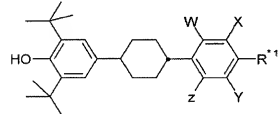
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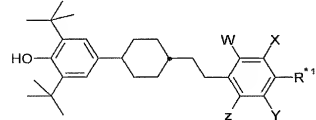
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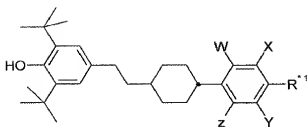
Ia-6



Ia-7



Ia-8



Ia-9

wherein

W, X, Y and Z are each, independently of one another, H, F, Cl, alkyl or alkoxy,  
 $R^{*1}$  is a chiral radical;

wherein

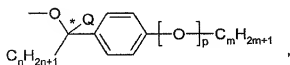
A)

$R^{*1}$  is a chiral radical of the following formula



in which

K is a single bond, alkylene having 1 to 9 C atoms, alkenylene or alkynylene having 2 to 9 C atoms, wherein one, two or more of the  $-CH_2-$  groups present in the alkylene, alkenylene or alkynylene are optionally replaced by  $-O-$ ,  $-C=O-$  or  $-S-$ , but where no two O atoms are bonded directly to one another, and the alkylene, alkenylene or alkynylene are optionally substituted by halogen, or  
 $R^{*1}$  is

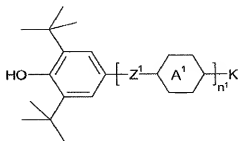


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n and m are different from one another and, independently of one another, are 1 to 11,

p is 0 or 1, and

L, M and N, each, independently of one another, but differently from one another and from

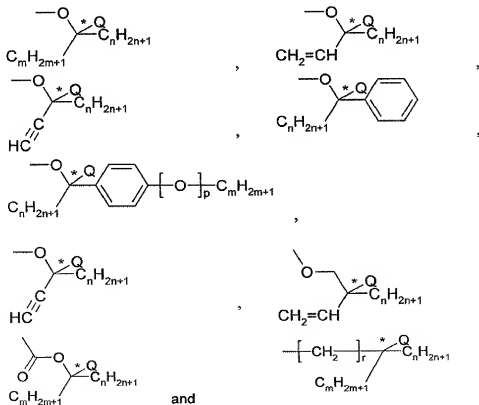


are hydrogen, halogen, aryl or cycloalkyl, alkyl or alkoxy having 1 to 11 C atoms, alkenyl, alkenyloxy, alkynyl or alkynyloxy having 2 to 11 C atoms, where one, two or more of the -CH<sub>2</sub>- groups present in the alkyl, alkoxy, alkenyl, alkenyloxy, alkynyl or alkynyloxy are optionally replaced by-O-, -C=O- or -S-, but where no two O atoms are bonded directly to one another and the alkyl, alkoxy, alkenyl, alkenyloxy, alkynyl or alkynyloxy are optionally substituted by halogen;

or

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$R^{*1}$  is a chiral radical of one of the following formulae



in which

Q is H or halogen,

n and m are different from one another and, independently of one another, are 1 to 11,  
 p is 0 or 1, and  
 r is 0 to 4.

8. (Withdrawn) A method of providing a chiral dopant, or a stabiliser, or a chiral dopant and simultaneously a stabiliser to a liquid crystal mixture, comprising adding a compounds according to claim 3 to said liquid crystal mixture.

9. (Previously Presented) A liquid-crystal medium comprising a compound according to Claim 3.

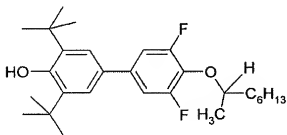
10. (Withdrawn) An electro-optical display comprising a liquid-crystal medium which comprises a compound according to claim 3.

11. (Cancelled)

12. (Withdrawn) A process for preparing a liquid-crystal mixture, comprising mixing together a compound of formula I according to claim 3 with one or more liquid-crystal compounds other than a compound of formula I to form a liquid-crystal mixture.

13. (Cancelled)

14. (Previously Presented) A compound according to claim 4, which is



15. (Previously Presented) A compound according to claim 4, wherein  $R^*$  is a chiral radical of the following formula

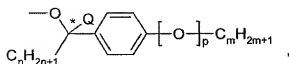


in which

K

is a single bond, alkenylene having 1 to 9 C atoms, alkenylene or alkynylene having 2 to 9 C atoms, wherein one, two or more of the  $-\text{CH}_2-$  groups present in the alkenylene, alkenylene or alkynylene are optionally replaced by  $-\text{O}-$ ,  $-\text{C}=\text{O}-$  or  $-\text{S}-$ , but where no two O atoms are bonded directly to one another, and the alkenylene, alkenylene or alkynylene are optionally substituted by halogen, or is

$\text{R}^{*1}$



Q

is H or halogen,

n and m

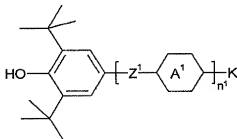
are different from one another and, independently of one another, are 1 to 11,

p

is 0 or 1, and

L, M and N,

each, independently of one another, but differently from one another and from



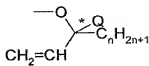
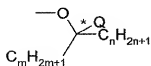
are hydrogen, halogen, aryl or cycloalkyl, alkyl or alkoxy having 1 to 11 C atoms, alkenyl, alkenyloxy, alkynyl or alkynyloxy having 2 to 11 C atoms, where one, two or more of the  $-\text{CH}_2-$  groups present in the alkyl, alkoxy, alkenyl, alkenyloxy, alkynyl or alkynyloxy are optionally replaced by  $-\text{O}-$ ,  $-\text{C}=\text{O}-$  or  $-\text{S}-$ , but where no two O atoms are bonded directly to one another and the alkyl, alkoxy, alkenyl, alkenyloxy, alkynyl or alkynyloxy are optionally substituted by halogen.

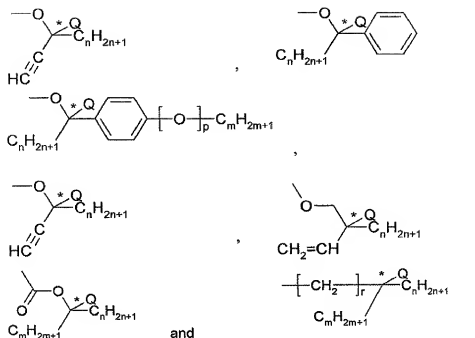
16. (Previously Presented)

A compound according to claim 4, wherein

$\text{R}^{*1}$

is a chiral radical of one of the following formulae





in which

Q

is H or halogen,

n and m

are different from one another and, independently of one another, are 1 to 11,

p

is 0 or 1, and

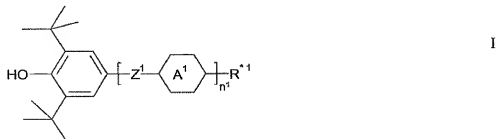
r

is 0 to 4.

17. (Previously Presented) A compound according to claim 4, wherein W and Z are each, independently of one another, H, F or Cl.

18. (Previously Presented) A compound according to claim 4, wherein W and Z are both H.

19. (Previously Presented) A compound of formula I



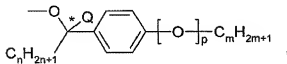
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$R^{*1}$  is a chiral radical of the following formula

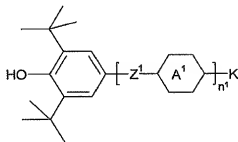


in which

K is a single bond, alkylene having 1 to 9 C atoms, alkenylene or alkynylene having 2 to 9 C atoms, wherein one, two or more of the  $-\text{CH}_2-$  groups present in the alkylene, alkenylene or alkynylene are optionally replaced by  $-\text{O}-$ ,  $-\text{C}=\text{O}-$  or  $-\text{S}-$ , but where no two O atoms are bonded directly to one another, and the alkylene, alkenylene or alkynylene are optionally substituted by halogen, or  $R^{*1}$  is a group



Q is H or halogen,  
n and m are different from one another and, independently of one another, are 1 to 11,  
p is 0 or 1,  
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are hydrogen, halogen, aryl or cycloalkyl, alkyl or alkoxy having 1 to 11 C atoms, alkenyl, alkenyloxy, alkynyl or alkynyloxy having 2 to 11 C atoms, where one, two or more of the  $-\text{CH}_2-$  groups present in the alkyl, alkoxy, alkenyl, alkenyloxy, alkynyl or alkynyloxy are optionally replaced by  $-\text{O}-$ ,  $-\text{C}=\text{O}-$  or  $-\text{S}-$ , but where no two O atoms are bonded directly to one another and the alkyl, alkoxy, alkenyl, alkenyloxy, alkynyl or alkynyloxy are optionally substituted by halogen,

$Z^1$  is, if present more than once, in each case, independently of one another,  $-\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2-$ ,  $-\text{CH}=\text{CH}-$ ,  $-\text{C}\equiv\text{C}-$ ,  $-\text{COO}-$ ,  $-\text{OCO}-$ ,  $-\text{CH}_2\text{O}-$ ,  $-\text{OCH}_2-$ ,  $-\text{CF}_2\text{O}-$ ,  $-\text{OCF}_2-$ ,  $-(\text{CH}_2)_4-$ ,  $-\text{CF}=\text{CF}-$ ,  $-\text{CH}=\text{CF}-$ ,  $-\text{CF}=\text{CH}-$ ,  $-\text{CH}_2-$ ,  $-\text{CF}_2-$ ,  $-\text{CHF}-$ ,  $-\text{O}-$ ,  $-\text{S}-$  or a single bond,





in which

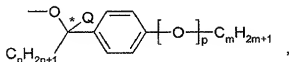
- Q is H or halogen,  
 n and m are different from one another and, independently of one another, are 1 to 11,  
 p is 0 or 1, and  
 r is 0 to 4.

21. (Previously Presented) A compound according to claim 7, wherein  
 $R^{*1}$  is a chiral radical of the following formula

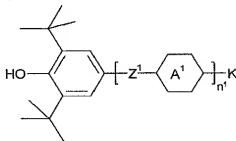


in which

- K is a single bond, alkylene having 1 to 9 C atoms, alkenylene or alkynylene having 2 to 9 C atoms, wherein one, two or more of the  $-CH_2-$  groups present in the alkylene, alkenylene or alkynylene are optionally replaced by  $-O-$ ,  $-C=O-$  or  $-S-$ , but where no two O atoms are bonded directly to one another, and the alkylene, alkenylene or alkynylene are optionally substituted by halogen, or  
 $R^{*1}$  is



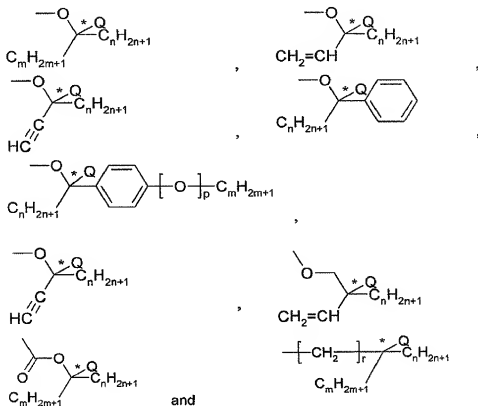
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 p is 0 or 1, and  
 L, M and N, each, independently of one another, but differently from one another and from



are hydrogen, halogen, aryl or cycloalkyl, alkyl or alkoxy having 1 to 11 C atoms, alkenyl, alkenyloxy, alkynyl or alkynyloxy having 2 to 11 C atoms,

where one, two or more of the  $-\text{CH}_2-$  groups present in the alkyl, alkoxy, alkenyl, alkenyloxy, alkynyl or alkynyloxy are optionally replaced by  $-\text{O}-$ ,  $-\text{C}=\text{O}-$  or  $-\text{S}-$ , but where no two O atoms are bonded directly to one another and the alkyl, alkoxy, alkenyl, alkenyloxy, alkynyl or alkynyloxy are optionally substituted by halogen.

22. (Previously Presented) A compound according to claim 7, wherein  $\text{R}^*$  is a chiral radical of one of the following formulae



in which

- $\text{Q}$  is H or halogen,  
 $n$  and  $m$  are different from one another and, independently of one another, are 1 to 11,  
 $p$  is 0 or 1, and  
 $r$  is 0 to 4.

23. (Cancelled)

24. (Previously Presented) A compound according to claim 5, wherein K is a single bond,  $-\text{CH}_2-$ ,  $-\text{O}-$ ,  $-\text{CO}-\text{O}-$ ,  $-\text{CO}-\text{O}-\text{CH}_2-$ ,  $-\text{O}-\text{CO}-$ ,  $-\text{CH}_2-\text{CH}_2-$ ,  $-\text{CH}=\text{CH}-$  or  $-\text{C}\equiv\text{C}-$ .

25. (Previously Presented) A compound according to claim 15, wherein K is a single bond,  $-\text{CH}_2-$ ,  $-\text{O}-$ ,  $-\text{CO}-\text{O}-$ ,  $-\text{CO}-\text{O}-\text{CH}_2-$ ,  $-\text{O}-\text{CO}-$ ,  $-\text{CH}_2-\text{CH}_2-$ ,  $-\text{CH}=\text{CH}-$  or  $-\text{C}\equiv\text{C}-$ .

26-28. (Cancelled)

29. (Previously Presented) A compound according to claim 5, wherein L, M and N are each, independently of one another, hydrogen, halogen, alkyl or alkoxy having 1 to 11 C atoms, alkenyl, alkenyloxy, alkynyl or alkynyloxy having 2 to 11 C atoms, where one, two or more of the  $-\text{CH}_2-$  groups present are optionally replaced by  $-\text{O}-$ ,  $-\text{C}=\text{O}-$  or  $-\text{S}-$ , but where no two O atoms are bonded directly to one another, and are optionally substituted by halogen.

30. (Previously Presented) A compound according to claim 15, wherein L, M and N are each, independently of one another, hydrogen, halogen, alkyl or alkoxy having 1 to 11 C atoms, alkenyl, alkenyloxy, alkynyl or alkynyloxy having 2 to 11 C atoms, where one, two or more of the  $-\text{CH}_2-$  groups present are optionally replaced by  $-\text{O}-$ ,  $-\text{C}=\text{O}-$  or  $-\text{S}-$ , but where no two O atoms are bonded directly to one another, and are optionally substituted by halogen.

31. (Previously Presented) A compound according to claim 29, wherein L, M and N are each, independently of one another, hydrogen, halogen, alkyl or alkoxy having 1 to 11 C atoms, alkenyl, alkenyloxy, alkynyl or alkynyloxy having 2 to 11 C atoms.

32. (Previously Presented) A compound according to claim 30, wherein L, M and N are each, independently of one another, hydrogen, halogen, alkyl or alkoxy having 1 to 11 C atoms, alkenyl, alkenyloxy, alkynyl or alkynyloxy having 2 to 11 C atoms.

33. (Cancelled)

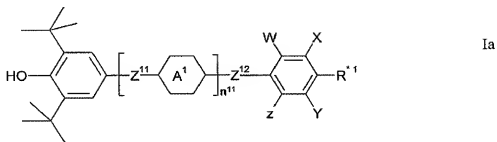
34. (Withdrawn) A method of providing a chiral dopant, or a stabiliser, or a chiral dopant and simultaneously a stabiliser to a liquid crystal mixture, comprising adding to said liquid crystal mixture a compound according to claim 4.

35. (Withdrawn) An electro-optical display comprising a liquid-crystal medium comprising a compound according to claim 4.

36-41. (Cancelled)

42. (Previously Presented) An electro-optical display comprising a liquid-crystal medium which comprises a compound according to claim 7.

43. (New) A liquid crystal mixture containing at least two liquid crystalline compounds one of which is a compound of formula Ia



in which



is, if present more than once, in each case, independently of one another,

- (a) a trans-1,4-cyclohexylene radical, in which one or more non-adjacent CH<sub>2</sub> groups are optionally replaced by -O- and/or -S-,
- (b) a 1,4-cyclohexenylene radical,
- (c) a 1,4-phenylene radical, in which one or two CH groups are optionally replaced by N, or
- (d) 1,4-bicyclo[2.2.2]octylene,  
piperidine-1,4-diyl, naphthalene-2,6-diyl,  
decahydronaphthalene-2,6-diyl, or  
1,2,3,4-tetrahydronaphthalene-2,6-diyl,

where these radicals (a) to (d) and the phenolic benzene ring is optionally mono- or polysubstituted by F atoms,

R\*<sup>1</sup>

Z<sup>11</sup> and Z<sup>12</sup>

is a chiral radical,

are, each independently, and in case if Z<sup>11</sup> present more than once, in each case, independently of one another, -CH<sub>2</sub>-CH<sub>2</sub>-, -CH=CH-, -C≡C-, -COO-, -OCO-, -CH<sub>2</sub>O-, -OCH<sub>2</sub>-, -CF<sub>2</sub>O-, -OCF<sub>2</sub>-, -(CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>4</sub>-, -CF=CF-, -CH=CF-, -CF=CH-, -CH<sub>2</sub>-, -CF<sub>2</sub>-, -CHF-, -O-, -S- or a single bond,

$n^{11}$ 

W and Z

X and Y

wherein

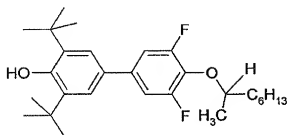
A)

the compound of formula Ia is

is 0, 1 or 2,

are each, independently of one another, H, F, Cl, or alkoxy, and

are each, independently of one another, H, F, Cl, alkyl or alkoxy,



;

or

B)

 $R^{*1}$ 

is a chiral radical of the following formula



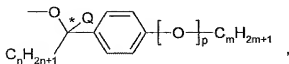
in which

K

is a single bond, alkylene having 1 to 9 C atoms, alkenylene or alkynylene having 2 to 9 C atoms, wherein one, two or more of the  $-\text{CH}_2-$  groups present in the alkylene, alkenylene or alkynylene are optionally replaced by  $-\text{O}-$ ,  $-\text{C}=\text{O}-$  or  $-\text{S}-$ , but where no two O atoms are bonded directly to one another, and the alkylene, alkenylene or alkynylene are optionally substituted by halogen, or

 $R^{*1}$ 

is



Q

n and m

p

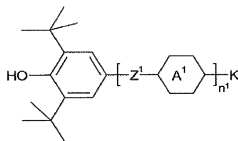
L, M and N,

is H or halogen,

are different from one another and, independently of one another, are 1 to 11,

is 0 or 1, and

each, independently of one another, but differently from one another and from

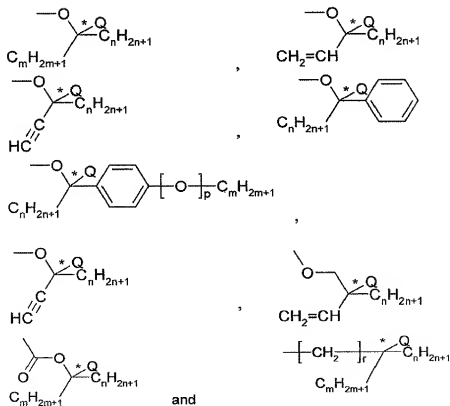


are hydrogen, halogen, aryl or cycloalkyl, alkyl or alkoxy having 1 to 11 C atoms, alkenyl, alkenyloxy, alkynyl or alkynyloxy having 2 to 11 C atoms, where one, two or more of the  $-\text{CH}_2-$  groups present in the alkyl, alkoxy, alkenyl, alkenyloxy, alkynyl or alkynyloxy are optionally replaced by  $-\text{O}-$ ,  $-\text{C}=\text{O}-$  or  $-\text{S}-$ , but where no two O atoms are bonded directly to one another and the alkyl, alkoxy, alkenyl, alkenyloxy, alkynyl or alkynyloxy are optionally substituted by halogen;

or

C)

$\text{R}^{*1}$  is a chiral radical of one of the following formulae



and

in which

Q is H or halogen,

n and m are different from one another and, independently of one another, are 1 to 11,  
p is 0 or 1, and  
r is 0 to 4.

44. (New) A liquid crystal mixture according to claim 43, which has an absolute value for HTO or  $2.7 \mu\text{m}^{-1}$  or more.